

IDENTIFICATION APPARATUS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Disclosed is an identification apparatus for use in connection with multiple discrete identity source elements positioned in an identification apparatus signal identification area. The identification apparatus includes at least one signal receiving mechanism for receiving a signal emitted from the identity source elements. The signal receiving mechanism has a field of detection of at least a portion of the identification apparatus signal identification area. Further, the signal receiving mechanism is capable of moving along an axis of movement. A control mechanism is in communication with the signal receiving mechanism. Further, the control mechanism can control the movement of the signal receiving mechanism along the axis of movement and/or receive, process and transmit the signal received by the signal receiving mechanism. A method of receiving a signal from identity source elements positioned in a single identification area is also disclosed.